

Silicon Lightweight Mirrors for Ultraviolet and Extreme Ultraviolet Imaging Mirrors Results of Phase I NASA SBIR

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Introduction

- Subtopic 01-S1.06 Imaging Mirrors for UV and EUV
 - Waveband: UV (300-400 nm), EUV (20-300 nm)
 - Diameter: 0.5-2.4 meters,
 - Areal Density: <20 kg/m²</p>
 - > Surface Figure: 0.02-0.005 waves rms @633nm
 - Surface Finish: 0.5-1 nm rms
 - Midfrequency Error: 1.0-2.5 nm rms
- Achievements prior to Phase I (mirrors for Visible to IR)
 - Flat and Spherical Silicon Lightweight Mirrors (SLMS)
 - Cryo-stable to 40K
 - Areal Density: <15 kg/m²</p>
 - Surface Figure: 0.033 waves rms @ 633nm
 - Surface Finish: 0.5 nm rms
- Phase I Objective: Improve surface figure and finish of SLMS to meet requirements of UV and EUV optics
- Produced a 12.5 cm diameter, spherical UV Demonstrator Mirror suitable for cryo-testing in the C/SiC mounts built for NASA GSFC



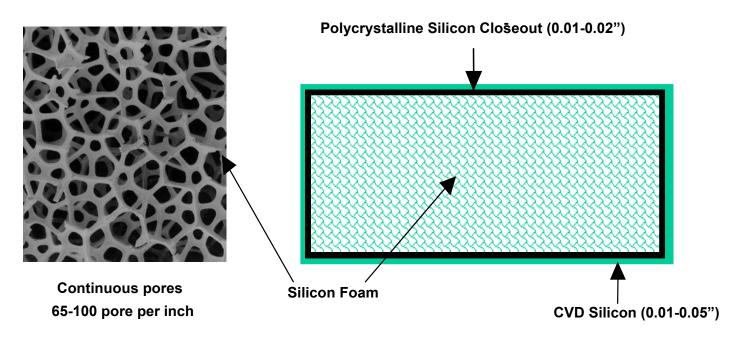
History of NASA Support for SLMS

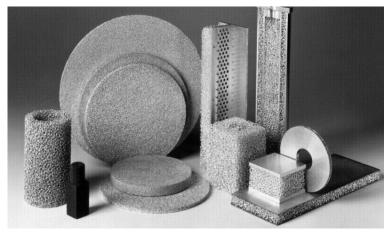
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 - Schafer has produced SLMS on three previous NASA sole source (SS) contracts:
 - Marshall Space Flight Center Purchase Order #H-28240-D, Schafer Proposal # P-98L-57, Design, Fabrication and Cryogenic Test of a Small Ultra-light Silicon Foam-Backed Single Crystal Silicon Mirror, performed for Dr. Edward "Sandy" Montgomery NASA MSFC
 - Goddard Space Flight Center Purchase Order # S-32479-G, Schafer Proposal # P-99L-267, Silicon Lightweight Demonstration Mirror, performed for Dr. David Content NASA GSFC
 - NSI Prime Contract # NAS5-32537, ManTech Systems Engineering Corporation Purchase Order # 20000962, Schafer Proposal # P-00L-217, Offner Relay System, performed for Dr. David Content NASA GSFC



SLMS Composite Structure

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Foam can be CNC machined to virtually any shape



SLMS Manufacturing Process

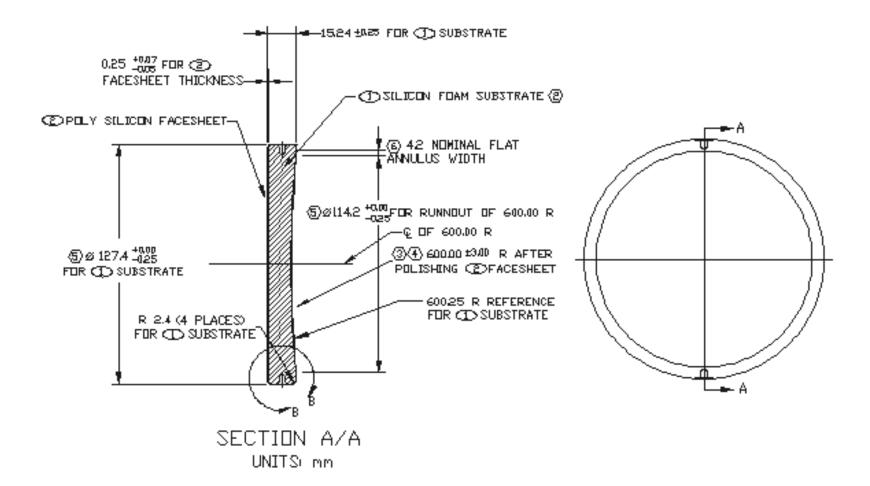
- Typical manufacturing time for flats and spheres is 10-12 weeks
- Polishing times for aspheres typically 3-6 months
- Current infrastructure supports up to 32 cm diameter
- Metal or dielectric coatings are readily applied





Schematic of UV Demonstrator Mirror

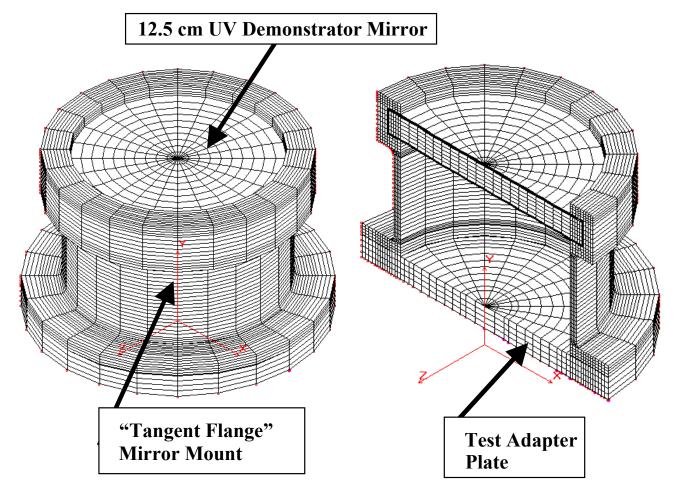
UV Demonstrator Mirror clear aperture (CA) is the central 10.5 cm dia.





Structural Analysis

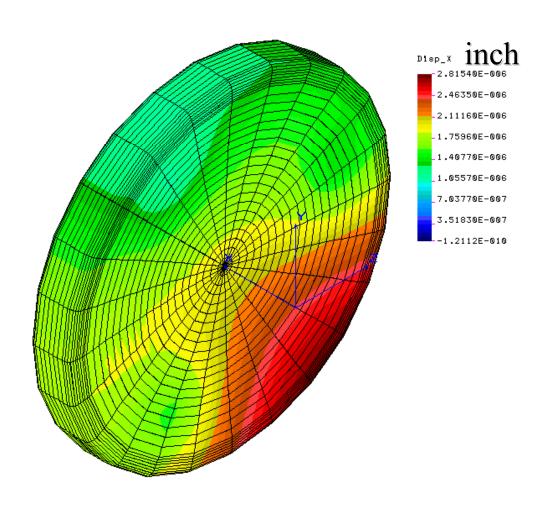
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- Modeled kinematic and Schafer "tangent flange" mounts
 - > 3:2:1 kinematic mount has six independent reactions
 - Tangent flange provides uniform support around the periphery near the O.D.
 - Tangent flange mount fabricated using CTE matched C/SiC material





1-G Load with Kinematic Mount

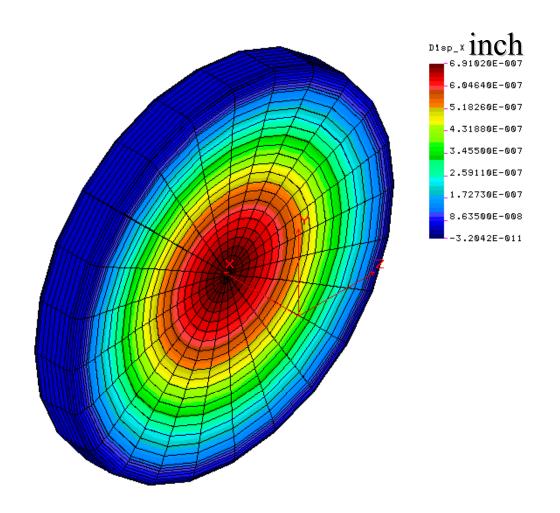
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 - The maximum sag over 100% CA is 2.5 μ-inch (63.5 nm)
 - Surface distortion is asymmetrical





1-G Normal Load with Tangent Mount

- \leftarrow The maximum sag over 100% CA is 0.58 μ-inch (14.7 nm)
- Surface distortion is a symmetrical, focus type aberration





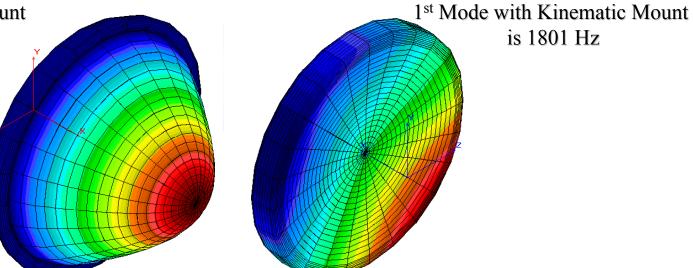
SLMS Have High Stiffness

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Tangent Flange Mount				Kinematic Mount			
Mode	Frequency	Frequency	Period	Mode	Frequency	Frequency	Period
	(Rad/sec)	(hertz)	(seconds)		(Rad/sec)	(hertz)	(seconds)
1	31709.0	5046.7	1.9815E-04	1	11319.90	1801.62	5.5506E-04
2	53648.0	8538.4	1.1712E-04	2	13818.10	2199.22	4.5471E-04
3	53648.0	8538.4	1.1712E-04	3	15541.20	2473.46	4.0429E-04
4	71462.4	11373.6	8.7923E-05	4	18815.20	2994.53	3.3394E-04
5	71462.4	11373.6	8.7923E-05	5	25143.40	4001.70	2.4989E-04
6	71954.1	11451.8	8.7322E-05	6	31887.10	5074.99	1.9705E-04
7	71954.1	11451.8	8.7322E-05	7	35979.30	5726.28	1.7463E-04
8	77428.4	12323.1	8.1148E-05	8	36672.50	5836.60	1.7133E-04
9	89810.2	14293.7	6.9961E-05	9	42046.60	6691.92	1.4943E-04
10	98509.4	15678.3	6.3783E-05	10	60305.50	9597.92	1.0419E-04

1st Mode with Tangent Mount

is 5047 Hz



is 1801 Hz



UV Demonstrator Mirror Results

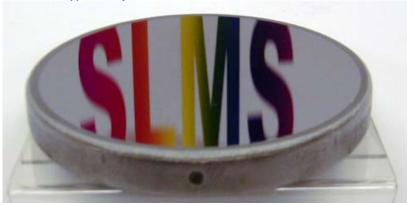




Figure of Merit	Specified	Results Achieved	Achievable
	Value		
Areal Density, kg/m ²	<20	9.8	6
Surface Figure at 80% CA, waves	0.02	0.021	0.005
rms @633 nm			
Surface Figure at 95% CA, waves	N/A	0.027	0.010
rms @633 nm			
Surface Roughness, Å rms	10	4	1
Radius of Curvature	600 mm ±	598.559 ± 0.005	
	0.5%	mm 2-σ	
Surface Quality (Scratch/Dig)	60/40	20/20	10/5

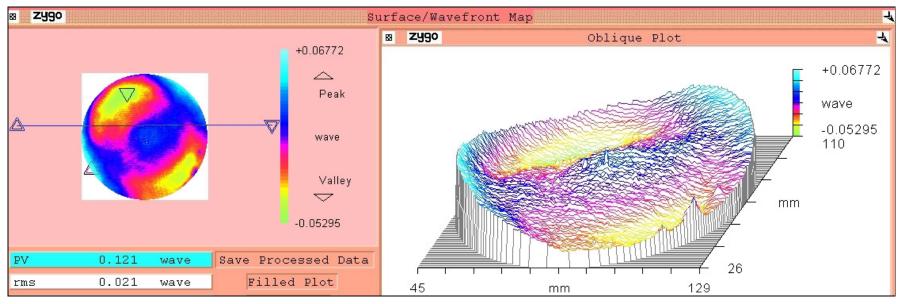
- Achieved or Exceeded All Specifications
- Mirror was Lapped and Polished for only 10 Days



Supporting Data



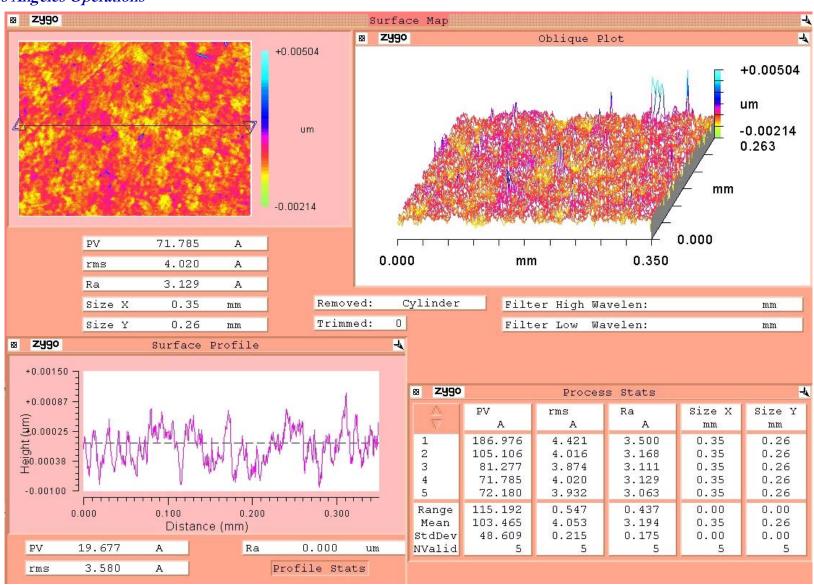
Surface Figure Over 80% CA







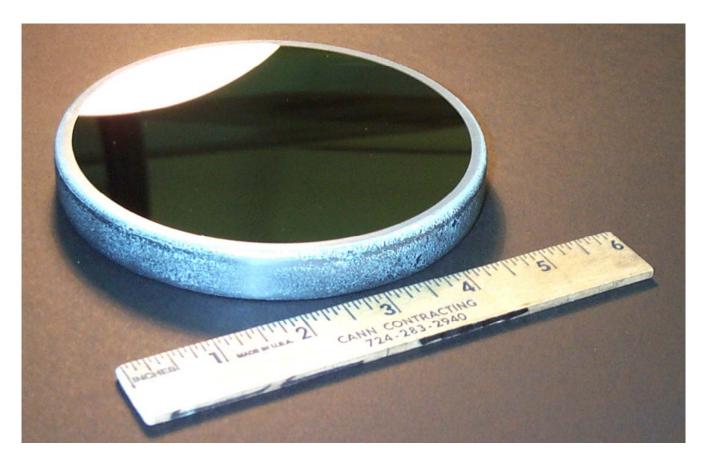
Surface Finish Over 95% CA





Surface Quality Over 95% CA

Surface Quality 20/20 Scratch/Dig





Commercialization Plan

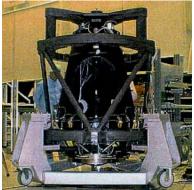


Business Objective and Products

- Objective: Become the leader in producing low cost, lightweight, athermal optical systems for commercial, government civilian and defense applications. Schafer products have significant cost, schedule and performance advantages over Beryllium, ULE, Zerodur and SiC products.
- Products: Using Schafer developed Silicon Lightweight Mirrors (SLMS) and complementary C/SiC mirror & structures technologies to manufacture optics, optical mounts and optical benches at the component, subsystem or system level of assembly/integration, for operation in ground, air and space environments, from the far infrared to extreme ultraviolet spectral regions, and over a wide range of temperatures.





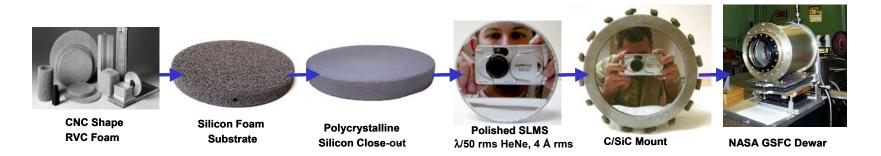


C/SiC Mounts and Optical Benches

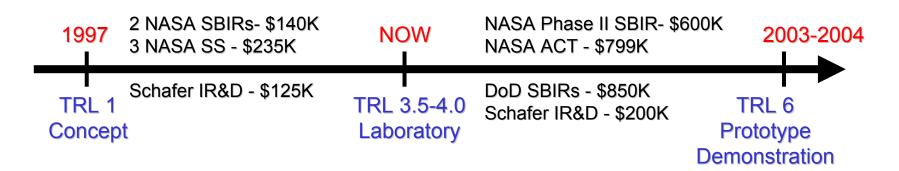


Technology Readiness Level Roadmap

Silicon Lightweight Mirrors (SLMS) and complementary C/SiC mirror
 & structures currently at Technology Readiness Level 3.5 – 4.0



♦ Commercial System Houses and NASA Missions require ≥ TRL 6





Summary

- The UV Demonstrator Mirror meets or exceeds all of the stated goals, thus we have proven the feasibility of the innovation. These results strongly justify the continuation of the Phase II program.
- SLMS technology will significantly impact and benefit a very broad set of future NASA Space Science Enterprise (e.g., Next Generation Space Telescope, Explorer Program) and Earth Science Enterprise missions. SLMS will provide a national benefit beyond NASA for DoD (Directed Energy, Imaging), DoC/NOAA (Remote Imaging) and commercial optical system houses.